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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

CEDARVILLE AIRPORT

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1. Description and Purpose of Proposed Development

a. Description

The program for the Cedarville Airport includes: an extension and overlay of the main runway; a new lighting system; land acquisition; burial of power lines; ~~sterilization~~; and fog seal.

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b. Purpose

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A deteriorating runway; inadequate length for the runway elevation; a sub-standard lighting system and pole line ~~endanger~~ the safety of the air traffic constitute the main reasons for this project. The proposed project will provide us and the users of the airport with a safe and adequate general aviation facility meeting present day standards.

c. Proposed Method of Accomplishment

Conventional construction methods and safeguards will be utilized during construction to avoid or minimize any affects on the environment which might occur. However, no special or unusual environmental conditions are now known to exist.

d. Communities near the Airport

The Airport is located 1 mile north of Cedarville and 9 miles south of Lake City and serves these two communities as well as the area surrounding them.

2. Probable Impact of Project on Both Human and Natural Environment, Including Impact on Ecological Systems such as Wildlife, Fish and Marine Life.

The runway extension and general improvements proposed at the Cedarville Airport, when completed, will result in increased benefits because of added safety to its users.

This project will not have any major impact on the natural environment. No critical species, landscape feature, residential concentration or any other major or unique resources is likely to be damaged or destroyed.

a. Is Development Controversial?

No issue has been identified, at this time, with this project which would be considered controversial.

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- b. Will Development Noticeably Affect the Ambient Noise Level for a Significant Number of People?

It is anticipated that the proposed improvements will not change the use of the airport to the extent that there would be any change in the ambient noise level imposed upon any nearby residents.

- c. Will Development Result in the Displacement of Significant Numbers of People?

No. The improvements to be made at the Cedarville Airport will result in no displaced persons.

- d. Will Development Have a Significant Aesthetic or Visual Effect?

No. The proposed development verses the existing facility indicates that there would be very little change in the aesthetic or visual effect.

- e. Will Development Divide or Disrupt an Established Community or Divide Existing Uses?

Yes, an existing agricultural field will be divided by the extension of the airport, and compensation for severance has been included in the appraisal report for the purchase price of the site.

- f. What will be the Effect on Areas of Unique Interest or Scenic Beauty?

No designated areas of unique interest or scenic beauty are known to exist in the immediate vicinity of the Cedarville Airport.

- g. Will Development Destroy or Derogate Important Recreational Areas?


No, in fact a portion of the flying activity at the airport will probably be recreational in nature.

- h. Will Development Substantially Alter the Pattern of Behavior for a Species?

No, all species in the immediate area seem to be living in comfortable adjustment with the present airfield, and there is no reason to believe that the proposed improvements will influence the survival of any species any more adversely than the present runway does.

- i. Will Development Interfere with Important Wildlife Breeding, Nesting, or Feeding Grounds?

The proposed improvements would not seem to influence the survival of any species any more adversely than does the existing airfield.



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j. Will Development Significantly Increase Air or Water Pollution?

No. The only possible increase in air pollution would be due to any increase in air traffic, and due to the size of aircraft using the airport. It is anticipated that current and future problems of air pollution would not be significant.

Water pollution will not be affected because the quantity and quality of flows around the site will remain essentially unchanged from the present condition.

k. Will Development Adversely Affect the Water Table of an Area?

No. Due to the lack of development, other than the runway extension, paving and lighting, there are no anticipated affects on the water table of this area.

3. Probable Adverse Environmental Effects Which Cannot Be Avoided

With the exception of a possible increase in noise resulting from an anticipated increase in future air traffic, there are no known environmental problems anticipated in conjunction with the proposed improvements at the Cedarville Airport.

4. Alternatives to the Proposed Development

This is an improvement to accepted minimum standards. The airport is presently located on county owned land and to evacuate this site would not be feasible.

5. Relationship Between Local Short-Term Uses of Man's Environment and the Maintenance and Enhancement of Long-Term Productivity

This is a case of minimal impact considering the existance of the present airport and the adjacent agricultural area.

6. Irreversible and Irretrievable Committments of Resources Which Will Result

The patterns of use of the environment have already been established by the existing land uses. We do not foresee any possible alteration of significance in the uses of the immediate environment.

7. Problems and Objections Raised by Other Federal Agencies and State and Local Facilities

To date, no problems or objections have been identified by other governmental institutions in conjunction with the proposed plan for development at the Cedarville Airport.

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